GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1863
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MEMORIALS OF MARTYRS OF FIRST INDEPENDENCE STRUGGLE OF 1857
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any initiative to repair/renovation of memorial built in the memory of martyrs of the first independence struggle of 1857;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any memorials have been constructed at the birthplaces of the said freedom fighters or the place of their martyrdom and whether any schemes have been named after them; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a)&(b): Government of India has constituted a National Committee under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister to chalk out the programmes for celebration of 150th Anniversary of the First War of Independence,1857; 60th Anniversary of Indian Independence; Centenary of Adoption of Vande Mataram as National Song; and 75th Anniversary of the martyrdom and birth centenary of Shaheed Bhagat Singh. A National Implementation Committee has also been constituted for implementation of programmes and activities in commemoration of these events. The National Implementation Committee has decided to identify a number of sites related to freedom movement for conservation and restoration in consultation with Archaeological Survey of India and Indian Council of Historical Research.

(c)&(d): The National Implementation Committee has approved a proposal that a Memorial for Shaheeds/Shaheed Minar be established in Delhi.